



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2800

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application

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LITHOGRAPHY SYSTEMS

PATENT APPLICATION

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In response to the Office Action of October 1, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

A Notice of Appeal is being filed herewith with this response.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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